

§ 105-449.136. Tax on alternative fuel.

(a) Rate. – A tax at the motor fuel rate is imposed on liquid alternative fuel used to operate a highway vehicle by means of a vehicle supply tank that stores fuel only for the purpose of supplying fuel to operate the vehicle. The tax on liquefied natural gas is imposed on each diesel gallon equivalent of liquefied natural gas. The tax on liquefied propane gas is imposed on each gas gallon equivalent of liquefied propane gas. A tax at the equivalent of the motor fuel rate is imposed on all other alternative fuel used to operate a highway vehicle. The tax on compressed natural gas is imposed on each gas gallon equivalent of compressed natural gas. The Secretary must determine the equivalent rate for all other non-liquid alternative fuels.

(b) Administration. – The exemptions from the tax on motor fuel in G.S. 105-449.88 apply to the tax imposed by this section. The refunds for motor fuel tax allowed by Part 5 of Article 36C of this Chapter apply to the tax imposed by this section, except that the refund allowed by G.S. 105-449.107(b) for certain vehicles that use power takeoffs does not apply to a vehicle whose use of alternative fuel is taxed on the basis of miles driven. The proceeds of the tax imposed by this section must be allocated in accordance with G.S. 105-449.125. (1995, c. 390, s. 3; 1995 (Reg. Sess., 1996), c. 647, s. 47; 2009-445, s. 38; 2014-4, s. 30(c); 2015-224, s. 2.)